

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1664

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By Mrs. Walrath of Stow, petition of Patricia A. Walrath and Richard T. Moore for legislation to authorize dealers of redeemable bottled products to designate licensed redemption centers as agents of such dealers. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE BOTTLE BILL.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Section 323 of chapter 94 of the General Laws, as appearing in  
2 the 2002 Official Edition is hereby amended by striking out para-  
3 graph (e) and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:—  
4 (e) A dealer may refuse to redeem containers it sells if it has  
5 agreed to let a conveniently located, licensed redemption center  
6 act as its agent for redeeming empty beverage containers. The  
7 dealer must also post a sign notifying the public that he no longer  
8 accepts containers and it must identify the redemption center that  
9 is accepting the empties for him. Distributors have the obligation  
10 to pick up containers from the dealer they deliver to or from the  
11 licensed redemption center acting as the agent for the dealer the  
12 distributor delivers to.